

Cal OES Daily Situation Report

January 12, 2014

National Terrorism Advisory System

Current Alerts

There are no current alerts

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* Maps can be viewed in the attachment.

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I. OPEN DISASTERS/EMERGENCIES:

II. WEATHER:

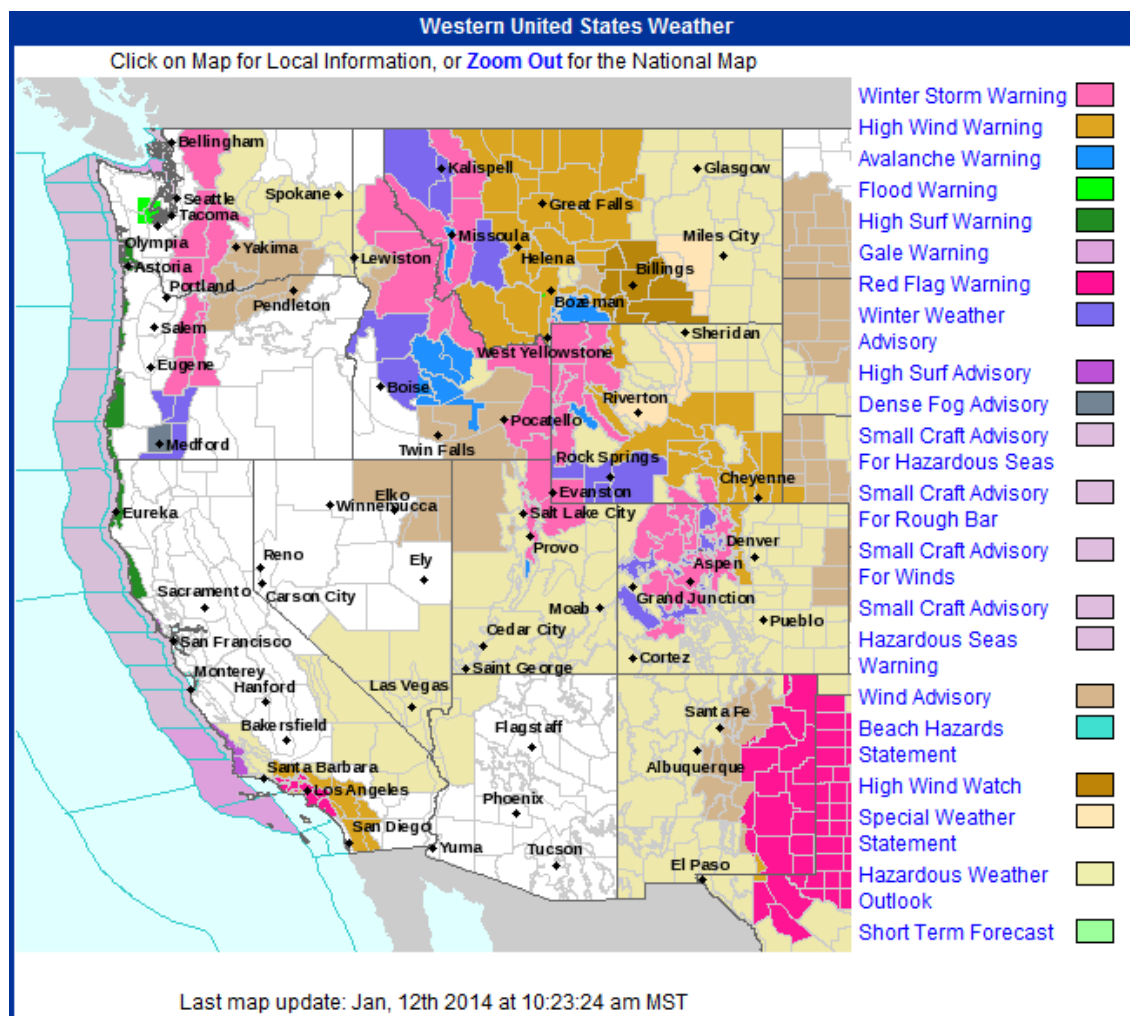
Northern California

An upper trough dropping through the Pacific Northwest behind yesterday's weak front will bring a threat of light rain to the far north state this morning. Otherwise building high pressure will bring clearing today. High pressure will dominate for the rest of the week bringing dry conditions and daytime highs to as much as 15 to 20 degrees above normal.

Southern California

An upper level trough of low pressure moved east of the region late last night, bringing gusty offshore winds which will continue through today. A high will move in early this week with more gusty offshore winds expected along with warm temperatures, making fire weather a concern for portions of southern California into Wednesday. Afternoon temperatures will be above normal, with the warmest day on Wednesday. Offshore flow will weaken by midweek, and the high will weaken on Friday.

State Weather Map



III. FIRES:

Overall Fire Risk:

Northern California

The much-drier-than-normal fuels situation will be temporarily mitigated this weekend with the expected rain and more humid onshore flow. However, a prolonged period of warm, dry conditions will quickly bring fuels back to near critically Very Dry levels by the middle of the coming week. Our region is in various stages of long term drought, with Severe to locally Extreme drought conditions covering most of Northern California.

Southern California

There will be an elevated risk of large fires through Saturday night across the eastern slopes of the Sierras into the western half of the Owens Valley due to erratic, downsloping winds and very low Relative Humidity (RH). The threat of large fires will decrease in these areas Sunday, but the prospect of a prolonged period of gusty offshore winds, low RH and very warm temperatures will cause large fire potential to be very high over much of Southern California next week. Fuel moisture is well below the 60% critical threshold over most areas due to the lack of rain and the new grass crop is nearly non-existent from Orange County northward. Further south across Riverside and San Diego Counties, the grass crop which grew last month is showing signs of curing. Expect lower elevations to see a sharp increase in fuel's receptivity to ignition next week as grasses continue to dry out. Furthermore, the dry conditions of the past 2 years have left old growth areas with an increasing dead component which will readily carry fire during the windy periods next week. Initial Attack (IA) next week may be very heavy for January with active burning possible at night.

Preparedness Levels:

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1 Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2 Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

IV. SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY:

State

Drought 2014

The lack of winter rain and snowfall has resulted in drought conditions throughout the State. Some local jurisdictions are implementing mandatory conservation orders. Reservoir levels are down significantly from where they should be on average for this time of year. Severe impacts to municipal water supplies, agriculture (plants and livestock) and firefighting capabilities are likely in store for the State over the next few months. The Governor has established a Drought Task Force to oversee and coordinate the response to this event.

For water conservation tips, visit: <http://saveourh2o.org/>

Drought Resolutions/Proclamations

01/07/14 - Mendocino County – no request for state assistance at this time

01/08/14 – City of Willits, Mendocino County – no request for state assistance at this time

Influenza 2014

California is seeing an accelerated increase in flu activity over the past few weeks. While influenza activity varies from year to year and is unpredictable, California generally sees an increase in cases in late December or early January and influenza activity usually peaks in February or March. According to CDPH surveillance indicators, influenza activity has been increasing steadily since Mid-December and is now considered to be widespread. The H1N1 strain appears to be the predominant strain so far this flu season and is one that is contained in the current flu vaccine. Vaccination is recommended for everyone six months of age and older, but is particularly important for those persons at higher risk of severe influenza, like pregnant women, obese persons and persons with certain underlying medical conditions.

CDPH and EMSA activated the Medical and Health Coordination Center (MHCC) at noon on January 10, 2014 in response to an increase in influenza-like illness (ILI) and medical surge occurring throughout California.

CDPH and EMSA will distribute a weekly Public Health and Medical Situation Report.

Please see the CDPH/EMSA Report under **Section V, Agency/Department Reports**.

Northern California: NSTR

Southern California:

Cal OES Public Assistance Staff Deployments, Rim Fire Recovery, Tuolumne County

* Five (5) Public Assistance (PA) staff members are currently deployed for the current Operational Period 01/09/14 – 01/23/14.

Cal OES Individual Assistance Staff Deployments, Pfeiffer Fire Recovery, Monterey County

* One (1) Individual Assistance (IA) staff member is deployed, 01/10/14 – 01/13/14, 2014 for a Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) in Monterey County. A damage assessment with the county, Cal OES, and U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), is scheduled for Friday, 01/10/14.

Proclamation

* Proclamation from Monterey County was received at Cal OES on 12/17/2013 declaring a Local Emergency and requesting a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of California to proclaim a State of Emergency and request a Presidential Declaration.

CAL OES MISSIONS:

New Missions:

2014-LAW-1961 On 01/12/14 at 0240 hours Imperial County Sheriff's Office requested a vessel for a subject on a disabled vessel in the Salton Sea. The Cal OES Law Duty Officer is coordinating resources. At 0358 hours Imperial County Sheriff advised the subject made it to shore. **Mission Closed**

2014-LAW-1959 On 01/11/14 at 1159 hours Inyo County Sheriff's Office requested a high altitude helicopter for a search of Mount Whitney for a missing hiker above 14,000 feet. The Cal OES Law Duty Officer is coordinating resources. Cal OES LDO contacted the California National Guard (Cal Guard) to secure a high altitude helicopter (14,000') with hoist and FLIR capability. Cal Guard secured the requested H60 Blackhawk and was mobilizing when Inyo notified both the LDO and Cal Guard that the MP was located deceased at approximately 1315 hours. Inyo SO requested the mission to be closed. **Mission Closed**

Ongoing Missions:

2014-LAW-1949 On 1/10/14 at 0900 hours Tuolumne County Sheriff's Office requested Human Remains Detection (HRD) K9 for a 7 year old Homicide case. The Cal OES Law Duty Officer secured HRD K9's from Santa Clara County S.O. for a search of an area on Wednesday 1/15/14.

2014-LAW-1935 On 01/08/14 at 1248 hours, The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) requested SAR resources regarding a death investigation in Weitchpec, Humboldt County, on Hwy 169 about 35 miles northeast of Eureka. HCSO is attempting to recover additional remains of the decedent and is requesting HRD K-9's to assist in that effort. The Cal OES Law Duty Officer contacted the Cal OES K-9 Coordinator who is working to secure the requested resources. On 01/08/14 at 1830 hours the Cal OES Law Branch secured 2 HRD K-9's for a Sunday, January 12, 2014 Search Operation. Contact information provided and the HCSO SAR contact was advised.

2014-LAW-1918 1/6/14, 1412 hours, The Sacramento County Sheriff's Dept. (SCSD) contacted Cal OES Law Branch and advised that new information has prompted a fresh search for a missing couple who were reportedly fishing in the Rio Vista area of Sacramento County. The original search (2013-LAW-1734) utilizing mutual aid resources occurred on December 2-3, 2013, but yielded negative results; the teams were released and the mission closed. SCSD advised there were positive hits from the K-9's during the search on 1/8/14, and Contra Costa SAR assisted with mapping these areas. All mutual aid resources have been released but local resources, coupled with a private contractor will continue search efforts in an attempt to locate and recover the remains. Update: 1/10/14 - one Missing Person was located during search efforts (deceased). Update: 1/11/14 - Sacramento & Solano Sheriffs Offices are continuing the search efforts. Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch is assisting with search efforts and have secured water certified HRD K9's for today, 1/11/14.

2014-LAW-1797 On 12/18/13 at 0800 hours, Butte County Sheriff's Office (SO) requested a dive team and underwater Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) with 300 foot depth capability for a body search of Lake Oroville. Cal OES Law Duty Officer (LDO) is coordinating resources. LDO advised that the ROV required repairs which caused the operation to be postponed. UPDATE: 01/08/14, Confirmation received from San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) that their remote operator vehicle (ROV) is repaired and will be shipped back to them today. Once received, SFPD will coordinate with the Oakland PD Marine Patrol regarding the request for their deep depth sonar

equipped ROV and they will work in tandem. SFPD is hoping to get their ROV back by Friday, 1/10/14. If they do they will test it on Monday and conduct the search operation (with Oakland PD) on Tuesday, 1/14/14.

2013-Coastal-1867 On 12/23/13, Monterey County Environmental Health requested the Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC) for post-fire household hazardous waste and asbestos removal for burned residences. This is an ongoing program after a fire in California. DTSC has been on scene since 1/6/14.

Closed Missions: NSTR

V. AGENCY/DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

California Department of Public Health (CDPH)/Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) (No change)

Influenza Impacts to California:

On January 10, 2014 at 1800 hours the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) released a report re: Influenza Outbreak with the following information:

Overview

- * According to CDPH surveillance indicators, influenza activity has been increasing steadily since Mid-December and is now considered to be widespread.
- * For the week ending January 4, 2014 there were more hospitalizations for pneumonia and influenza than expected, based on historical trends.
- * As of January 4, there have been seven confirmed influenza deaths in persons under 65 years of age reported to CDPH. Twenty-eight more deaths are under investigation. Only influenza deaths in persons less than 65 years of age are reportable in California.
- * The H1N1 strain appears to be the predominant strain so far this flu season and is one that is contained in the current flu vaccine.

Immunization/Treatment/Prophylaxis Supplies

- * Overall, antiviral and N95 supplies are adequate.
- * The Emergency Pharmaceutical Services Unit (EPSU) has contacted Genentech, the manufacturer of Tamiflu to verify that there is no shortage of Tamiflu at the manufacturer level. Genentech reports that they continue to allocate supplies to their wholesalers and has requested that CDPH notify them of any outages/shortages.

Response

- * CDPH held a media call on Friday, January 10, 2014.
- * CDPH is reaching out through their Regional medical/health coordinators and provider associations to poll for hospital availability, any resource needs or potential local health emergencies.
- * EMSA has provided staff to participate at the MHCC and is coordinating with the Regional Disaster Medical and Health Coordination (RDMHC) Program to collect information from local emergency medical services agencies (LEMSA) and Medical/Health Operational Area Coordinators (MHOAC).

- * No state assistance needs have been identified thus far.
- * CDPH will hold a stake holder call next Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at 1300 hours and Cal OES will participate.
- * A comprehensive Influenza report will be provided to OES weekly (Friday).

Activations

- * CDPH and EMSA activated the Medical and Health Coordination Center (MHCC, formerly the Joint Emergency Operations Center) at noon on January 10, 2014 in response to an increase in influenza-like illness (ILI) and medical surge occurring throughout California.

Please see the attached for the full CDPH/EMSA Influenza Report.

VI. UPCOMING EVENTS, TRAINING, EXERCISES: NSTR

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